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ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, 1515 BATHURST STREET, TORONTO, ONTARIO M5P 3H4

NOVEMBER 1988

ST. MIKE'S NEEDS YOUR HELP !

Dear Grads and Friends of St. Michael's,

What do you think of when you think of St. Mike's? I'm sure we have our own memories to cherish of the yellow brick building at Bathurst & St. Clair or the campus beneath the old elm tree at Clover Hill on Bay Street. If you're like me, you probably still check out the standings and the scores in the newspaper to see how St. Mike's teams are doing. For some reason, many of the events from those few years that we all attended have left an indelible mark on our characters. Well, let me assure you that not much has changed. New generations of young men have inhabited the place since your departure and have left with the same fond memories. In order for this cycle to continue, we must finally ask for your help. In the past, the St. Michael's Old Boys-Alumni Association has asked for very little assistance from you. However, now that the school has returned to the private sector, we must ask for your financial aid. With rising tuition fees and overall escalating costs it is imperative that St. Michael's have a strong Bursary and Scholarship program available to assist deserving students who normally would not have the finances to attend. The Basilian Fathers commitment to subsidize the overall costs of education is evident by examining the current tuition fees of $2,000.00 in relation to other private institutions. How can you help? In the past we have asked you to pay an Alumni membership fee. We will no longer be asking you for this. Instead we would like you to consider making a contribution to our Scholarship and Bursary program. Please give what you feel you can. Any amount, small or large adds up and helps us to assist those in need. Any donation of $25.00 or more will receive a charitable donation receipt for the full amount. YOUR GIFT DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE. With your`` help, St. Mike's will be able to maintain and enhance its fine reputation.

Robert Grossi
Alumni Officer

Please send all contributions to:

St. Michael's Alumni
1515 Bathurst Street
Toronto, Ontario
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TURKEY ROLL

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2nd 1988
8:00 pm — GYM

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ADMISSION $5.00

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK - Father Leo Campbell C.S.B

"The Bluenoser Comes To Toronto"

When I left St. Mary's College in Sault Ste Marie my former students gave me a lovely painting produced by a grade 11 art student. Its a picture of the Bluenose sailing in front of the Toronto skyline. The young artist actually did intend to represent my coming to St. Michael's College School in as much as I am a Nova Scotian, (affectionately nicknamed "bluenoser",) and have lately come to Toronto to serve as principal of this great school.

You may well be asking yourself, "How did a "bluenoser" from Cape Breton Island ever come to be principal of St. Michael's School?" I must confess I have asked myself the same question many times lately. I remember my whimsical answer to a Basilian friend of mine when he asked me how I came to Ontario from Nova Scotia,"The Wiseman came from the East." I remember too his reply. "The wiser they were the faster they came." I am, nonetheless, by the grace of God, here, and very happily so.

I was born in Dominion, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia on July 20th, 1939. I was educated at MacDonald High School, Dominion, Sydney Junior College, and St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish. I worked three years for General Motors in Montreal (Point Clare Parts Division) and in 1965 at the age of 25 I joined the Basilian Fathers. After my novitiate year I continued my studies at St. Thomas University, Houston Texas, then taught for two years at Michael Power, and on to the Toronto School of Theology for my Master of Divinity degree and ordination in 1974. I have since taught in Detroit, Windsor, Calgary and Sault Ste Marie. For four of my eights years in the Soo I was principal of St. Mary's College School.

A very acceptable and often-used method of judging the success of a school, or indeed any venture is to compare it to other similar schools or ventures. My experience in the Basilian run high schools in the cities mentioned above enables me to make some significant, and I think accurate, statements about St. Michael's. I am extremely proud to be associated with a school that is so manifestly professional and so genuinely reflects the Basilian values and tradition. The students are intelligent and highly motivated, the staff is skilled and generous and the administration is capable of sound leadership. These, at least, are my first impressions.

We work and learn in a Christian environment, we try to put our faith into practice as the letter of James and the 25th chapter of Matthew would insist we do. Our task now is to preserve our tradition and our worth. We must take measured steps to insure that the values we hold and the rights we enjoy will not be lost in the fast pace of this increasingly pagan society. The future of St. Michael's must be one that will embody the traditions and values of the past and will continue to foster superior education in a Christian milieu.

For the future, then, I see an important role for St. Michael's College School as a leader in Catholic education. We implicitly accepted this role when we decided to become a private independent school. In refusing government funding we take on a tremendous financial burden and responsibility, but we retain a level of control that will enable us to exercise our leadership role and to shape our future according to our own wisdom and will.

Concretely what does this mean for St. Michael's? Are there likely to be drastic changes? What does the future hold? I must simply say I don't know at this time. We are too new at complete independence to understand all of the consequences and opportunities attendant to it. This is a time for investigation, learning and speculation. To make a truly free and prudent decision about one's future direction a person must first know all the options available to him, and the consequences, pro and con, of each option. Be assured we will move cautiously and upon sound advice. We will need your help and involvement and we will provide the opportunity for you to exercise both.

I hope to meet many of you "Old Boys" soon and often. Please feel free and invited to stop in at the school at any time. I will be most anxious to see you.

SPORTS AROUND THE SCHOOL

St. Mike's teams are continuing to be dominant in all competition. The Jr. B hockey team is off to a fast start and are the class of the league. The Senior and Junior football teams are undefeated and the Track and Field teams won the 10th annual Snowball relays as well as the midget, junior, senior and overall titles at the T.D.C.A.A. league championships. The midgets also won the provincial championship. In all St. Mike's continues to be a school of great competitors and champions.

ST MICHAEL'S CELEBRITY DINNER

If you missed our 1st Celebrity Dinner last April, you missed a great night out. We honoured Father David Bauer C.S.B. and had over 700 Alumni and friends in attendance. Jake Dunlap was our hilarious M.C. and our head table consisted of the Big "M" Frank Mahovlich, Shawn O'Sullivan, Rod Seiling and Brian Conaacher just to name a few. It definitely was a night to be remembered. This year our dinner will be Tuesday April 4, 1989. Our guest of honour will be Leonard "Red" Kelly another S.M.C. Alumnus. We will give you more information about tickets in our next Banner.

A Letter from Father Frank McCabe C.S.B.

Our Outgoing Principal

My two years as principal of St. Michael's College School were indeed a challenging but rewarding and enjoyable experience. When I was appointed here on two previous occasions, each time I left, it was to go to another school and I always brought with me pleasant memories of the people as well as the various activities that took place here. These past two years have been no exception. The people are great and the involvement of so many in the large number of events in the school and in the community at large, still leads me to believe that many lasting and happy memories will be the result for those who move on to other things. The fact that St. Mike's has once again returned to its original private and independent status perhaps creates a greater loyalty in its present student body but particularly in the minds and hearts of those who have been a part of St. Mike's in one way or another. Loyalty is engendered in people mainly because something good and worthwhile has been experienced in the people and thus they would like to see it continue and do all in their power to ensure the desired outcome.

These past two years have seen many of our athletes obtain scholarships to Universities in the United States. Many more have been awarded scholarships to Canadian Universities. Because of the experience many get, participating in Drama, Music and Debating, they will be able to present themselves in the public sector, confident in their abilities to perform in public. I've been in admiration at the numbers of our students who have become involved in various community-minded activities such as Meals on Wheels once a week, Meals on Foot every day, helping out at the Refuge, St. Francis Table and at In out of the Cold. The school Food Drive at Thanksgiving and at Christmas provides much needed assistance to Holy Family Parish, St. Vincent de Paul Society and other charitable groups, who reach out to the hungry and the needy. Regularly our students are seen quietly protesting atrocities taking place at the Morgenthaler abortuary and they are also Catechists at some of the elementary schools.

As I say I'm in admiration of these young people mainly because they have come to understand that they must share their time, talents and good with others. All in all I think lots of good things are happening at St. Mikes, not the least of which is the opportunity to acquire an all-round Christian education. I perceive that the staff, students and parents are in agreement and therefore they pitch in and go the extra mile to ensure that the school will continue and become better as the years go by. Of course the other element that is necessary to make it all happen is our Alumni. I'm sure you will also encourage and support St. Michaels in all its endeavours.

✧ TURKEY ROLL ✧ — FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2nd, 1988

What is a Turkey Roll? Contrary to popular belief we do not make recent graduates roll turkeys down the gym floor with their noses. But it sounds like a fun idea. Seriously though, the "Turkey Roll" is our annual reunion that brings together former St. Mike's students for a fun night of old memories and inflated stories. This year, because of our appeal for donations to the bursary program we will not be charging a membership fee at the door. Instead $5.00 will get you in for all the fun. So, come on out, the doors open at 8:00 P.M. If you've never come to a "Turkey Roll" before, this is the year to finally come back!

Where are they Now ?

GEORGE PAPADAKOS ('83) - just graduated from Michigan State where he averaged 12 points a game and has signed with Olymbiakos of Greece for a cool half million dollars.

STEVE FERADAY ('78) - represented Canada in the Seoul Olympics in the Javelin event.

FRANK McLAUGHLIN ('77) - a former St. Michael's student captured a Bronze medal in the Seoul Olympics in the Yachting event.

JEFF ZOWNIR ('88) - was named "Athlete of the Year" last year (outstanding basketball, volleyball and baseball player) and is playing basketball at McMaster University this year.

MIKE COLLE ('64) - is running for Metro Councillor for the City of York in the Toronto municipal elections.

IN MEMORIAM †

Please remember Doug Wakely and Gene Natale in your prayers both of these fine gentlemen were great St. Michael's supporters and we will miss them.

HAVE YOU MOVED LATELY??
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TURKEY ROLL
Friday December 2nd

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